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FM SECSTATE WASHDC  
TO AMEMBASSY TAIPEI  
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TAGS:ETRD, TW

SUBJECT:US/ROC BILATERAL (MTN) TRADE TALKS

REFERENCE: (A) TAIPEI 2700  
(B) TAIPEI 2710

1. EMBASSY MAY INFORM GROC THAT USG PROPOSES FIRST ROUND  
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OF BILATERAL (MTN) TRADE TALKS CONVENE IN WASHINGTON ON  
MAY 22. DEPARTMENT IS INFORMING ROC EMBASSY OF THIS PRO-  
POSAL. (FYI: WE BELIEVE FIRST ROUND OF TALKS AT HEADS OF  
DELEGATION LEVEL PROBABLY CAN BE COMPLETED IN TWO DAYS,  
AFTER WHICH TIME TECHNICIANS ON BOTH SIDES MAY MEET FOR ONE  
OR TWO ADDITIONAL DAYS. END FYI).

2. ONE COPY OF OFFER LIST CATEGORIZING TARIFF ITEMS BY ROC AS PRINCIPAL, SUBSTANTIAL, AND RESIDUAL SUPPLIER SENT BY EA/ROC TO E/C COUNSELOR KYLE IN CLASSIFIED POUCH LEAVING DEPARTMENT ON APRIL 26. EMBASSY SHOULD REPRODUCE COPY OF REVISED LIST AND PASS TO GROC. PLEASE STAMP COPY "GATT SECRET" AND CAUTION GROC OFFICIALS THAT OFFER SHOULD NOT BE CITED IN CONVERSATIONS WITH THE PRESS AND PRIVATE SECTOR CONTACTS.

3. IT APPEARS UNLIKELY THAT U.S. REQUEST LIST WILL BE READY PRIOR TO BEGINNING OF FIRST ROUND OF TALKS. AS REQUESTED IN REFTEL A, AS SOON AS INTER-AGENCY CLEARANCE IS OBTAINED COPY OF REQUEST LIST WILL BE POUCHED TO EMBASSY. IF POSSIBLE, BTN LISTING OF ITEMS ON REQUEST LIST WILL BE TRANSMITTED BY TELEGRAM. DEPARTMENT MUCH APPRECIATES TIMELY DISPATCHING IN RESPONSE TO STATE 103775 OF COPY OF "CUSTOMS IMPORT TARIFF OF THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA" AS AMENDED THROUGH JANUARY 1978.

4. FOURTEENTH EDITION OF "CLASSIFICATION OF IMPORT AND EXPORT COMMODITIES OF THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA" (TAIPEI A-19) CONTAINS LISTING OF THOSE ROC IMPORTS, PURCHASE OF WHICH IS RESTRICTED TO NORTH AMERICA/WESTERN EUROPE. EMBASSY NEEDS ONLY TO TRANSMIT CHANGES WHICH MAY HAVE OCCURRED SINCE THIS EDITION WAS PUBLISHED (REFTEL B). CHRISTOPHER

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